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Francfort, June 12.

THere being great ground to believe that the French have a Deſign upon *Philipsburg*, the Gariſon there is reinforced to 3000 Men, and beſides the Regim nt of *Souches*, which conſiſts of 2500 Men, and is now Quartered at *Offenburg*, has Orders to March thither upon the firſt Intimation they have from the Governor of *Philipsburg* to that purpoſe. At the ſame time care is taken to fill up the Magazines with Ammunition, Proviſions, &c. The French have again Summoned the Caſtle of *Falkenburg*, and have once more tryed how far either Threats or Promiſes will prevail with the Commander: But he continues firm in his duty to his Prince, the Elector Palatine, ſo that it's now expected the French will make uſe of their Arms to compell him: The Elector is preparing for it, and has ſent to all the Princes his Neighbours to demand Aſſiſtance. Of this City his Electoral Highneſs has deſired 200 Men, but our Magiſtrates have excuſed it, being unwilling to give the Crown of *France* any occaſion of Offence.

Strasburg, June 14. The Biſhop of *Strasburg* and Prince *William* of *Furſtemburg* are expected in theſe parts, and the Caſtle of *Muzich* is preparing for them. The intention of their coming hither is to get Prince *William* choſen Dean of our Cathedral, which place is void by the Death of Count *Manderſcheir*. The French Troops continue to March to the Camp at *Landaw*, where there is at preſent a conſiderable Army.

Cologne, June 18. It is now diſcourſed again, that there will be a meeting of the Emperor and the Electors at *Ratisbonne* or ſome other convenient place, to take ſuch Reſolutions as may be proper in the preſent Exigency of Affairs. We are told that a Manifeſto is Publiſhed, by which the Biſhop of *Strasburg* aſſerts his Pretenſions upon that City, which is the more taken notice of at this time, for that the French are drawing together ſo conſiderable an Army in *Alſace*, and that it's believed the Biſhop is ſure of the Aſſiſtance of that Crown to make good his Pretenſions. The Elector of *Mentz* having had his Reſidence for ſome time at *Erfort*, is removed from thence to *Mentz*, becauſe the Plague is broke out there. The *French* Troops on the *Saar* will be in a Body on the 24 Inſtant, under the Commmand of the Marquis *de Souffiers*.

Bruſſels, June 25. On Sunday laſt the Duke *de Villa Hermoſa* went for *Antwerp*, from whence he goes for *Flanders*; and will not be back here till the middle of the next Month. The Duke of *Norfolk* is returned hither from *England*.

Bruſſels, June 28. His Excellency continues at *Antwerp* without being hitherto able to obtain the Subſidies he demands. The laſt night arrived our Spaniſh Ordinary, by which we have Letters from *Tangier* of the 22 paſt, giving an account, That there was a Truce concluded between the Town and the Moors for four Months; That by the Articles it was Stipulated that *Pole Fort* and *Norwoods Redoubt* ſhould be quitted, but that the other three Forts, *Fountain*, *Cambridge*, and *Bridges*, ſhould remain as they were; That within three days the Alcayde ſhould Demoliſh his Batteries and Lines, withdraw his Cannon, and retire with his Army; and that during the Truce the Town ſhould have Liberty to Graze their Cattle in the adjacent Fields. From the Frontiers they Write that the French King was expected there about the middle of the next Month, and that the Prince of *Conde* will attend him in his Progreſs. The French Commiſſioners at *Courtray* have declared, That immediately after the Expiration of the Term ſet by their King for the Spaniards to give their poſitive Anſwer in, concerning the Title of *Burgundy*, 5000 French Horſe will enter into the Country of *Aloſt*, and Quarter there till the King their Maſter have ſatisfaction in that Point. On the other ſide we are not a little encouraged by the News we have from *England*, of a Defenſive Alyance being Concluded between that Crown and *Spain*: and by the advice we receive from *Holland* that the States General have promiſed to ſend 14 Battallions to ſtrengthen our Gariſons, and that beſides, they intend to have a flying Army this Summer near *Breda*, to be ready farther to Aſſiſt us as there may be occaſion.

Bruges, June 29. The News we have of a Defenſive Alliance being Concluded between *England* and *Spain* occaſions a great deal of joy in theſe parts, and has raiſed peoples Spirits from the dejection the Apprehenſions of the Deſigns of the French put them into. We are told that the King of *Spain* is reſolved not to quit the Title of *Burgundy*.

Hague, June 25. The Marquis *de Bourgamanero* returned on Sunday laſt from *Dieren*, where the Heer *Zitters*, who is going Ambaſſador to *England*, has likewiſe been to take his leave of the Prince. The Heer *Starenberg* is gone this Morning to make the ſame Compliment to His Highneſs, deſigning very ſpeedily to begin his Embaſſy to *France*. The States General, upon what their Conſul at *Argiers* has written them, have directed the ſeveral Admiralties to take care not to grant any Paſſports but to ſuch as are really Subjects and Inhabitants of theſe Provinces, that ſo that Government may not have any Pretence to break the Peace on that account. From *Moſco* we have Advice that the Czar was ſending an Envoye hither, to make ſeveral Propoſals concerning Commerce, and particularly to acquaint this State that the Czar deſired to have French Wines brought directly from *France* to *Archangel* in French Veſſels, where the Merchant ſhall be paid for the ſame in ready Money,

&c.